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A summary of the plague situation to September 21, 1912, including human and rodent cases reported or discovered, was as follows: Rats examined, 16,891; rats found infected, 62; human cases, 56; deaths, 36.

Inspections made Sept. 14 to 21, 1912, inclusive.

Buildings inspected:		
Mayaguez.....	299	
Ponce.....	99	
San Juan.....	321	
		719
Cars inspected.....		159
Packages of freight fumigated.....	1,113	
Packages of freight repacked.....	173	
Packages inspected and passed.....	14,389	
Oxcarts and wagons carrying outgoing overland freight inspected.....	263	
Packages inspected.....	6,605	
Packages repacked.....	403	
Total packages inspected.....	7,008	
Rats found in freight and express packages inspected.....	4	

RUSSIA.

Astrakhan—Plague.

In the Astrakhan Government from September 12 to 17, 1912, there were reported 3 new cases of plague with 1 death. From July 17 to September 17 the total number of cases reported was 53 with 39 deaths.

On September 17 a plague-infected rat was found at Kherson on the steamship *Queensmore* from Odessa.

Moscow - Typhus Fever.

Consul General Snodgrass reports the occurrence of 81 cases of typhus fever with 18 deaths during the period from July 1 to August 3, 1912.

VENEZUELA.

Plague and Yellow Fever.

Acting Asst. Surg. Stewart at La Guaira reports: From September 4 to 20 there were reported at Maiquetia 4 cases of yellow fever with 1 death.

Caracas—Summary of Plague and Yellow Fever.

The following is an official summary of plague and yellow fever at Caracas during the years 1910, 1911, and 1912:

Plague.

	Cases.		
	1910	1911	1912 (all fatal).
January.....	2		1
February.....			1
March.....	1	12	1
April.....		10	1
May.....	1	9	
June.....	1	6	2
July.....	5	3	3
August.....	4	6	1
September.....	1		
October.....	20	9	
November.....	4	1	
December.....			
Totals.....	39	56	10

Yellow Fever.

	1911		1912	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
January.....	25	16	12	2
February.....	24	12	9	4
March.....	15	5	3	3
April.....	10	5		
May.....	6	6	4	4
June.....	7	7	1	1
July.....	9	8	8	2
August.....	17	4	4	3
September.....	8	6		
October.....	13	11		
November.....	17	8		
December.....	21	19		

CHOLERA, YELLOW FEVER, PLAGUE, AND SMALLPOX.**Reports Received During Week Ended Oct. 11, 1912.**

[These tables include cases and deaths recorded in reports received by the Surgeon General, Public Health Service, from American consuls through the Department of State and from other sources.]

CHOLERA.

Places.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.	Remarks.
China:				
Amoy.....	Aug. 11-24.....	3	3	
Dutch East Indies:				
Java—				
Batavia.....	Aug. 18-24.....	2	1	
India:				
Bombay.....	Aug. 24-31.....	11	9	
Karachi.....do.....	53	41	
Do.....	Sept. 1-7.....	19	18	
Maulmain.....	July 28-17.....	2	2	
Madras.....	Aug. 24-31.....	49	43	
Do.....	Sept. 1-7.....	26	20	Madras Presidency, July 1-15 not received. July 16-31: Cases 5,281, deaths 2,901. Aug. 1-31: Cases 21,306, deaths 10,620.
Rangoon.....	July 1-31.....	31	22	
Italy:				
Cagliari.....	Sept. 4-10.....	13	3	
Japan:				
Formosa.....	Aug. 25-31.....	8	5	
Milke.....	To Sept. 7.....	4		Including 2 cases previously reported.
Moji.....	Sept. 1-2.....		2	
Osaka.....	Oct. 3.....			Present.
Yokohama.....	Oct. 4.....			Do.
Siam:				
Bangkok.....	July 31-Aug. 27.....		19	

YELLOW FEVER.

Mexico:				
Merida.....	Sept. 16-22.....	1	1	
Venezuela:				
Caracas.....	Jan. 1-31.....	12	4	Total Jan. 1-Aug. 31: Cases 41, deaths 21, including previous reports. Year 1911: Cases 178, deaths 107.
Do.....	Feb. 1-29.....	9	4	
Do.....	Mar. 1-31.....	3	3	
Do.....	Apr. 1-30.....			
Do.....	May 1-31.....	4	4	
Do.....	June 1-30.....	1	1	
Do.....	July 1-31.....	8	2	
Do.....	Aug. 1-31.....	4	3	
Maiquetia.....	Sept. 20.....	3		